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## Interview H0214: Urgyen [tib. o rgyan], (India, 1983): Part No. 1 of 9

The interviewee was a well-known Drepung Loseling monk who at one time held the powerful position of Chagdampa. He discusses his experiences doing trading in India in Kalimpong and Kolkata. Then he talks about being the Gyetön estate steward in northern Tibet and being responsible for collecting taxes for the Laja office. He also discusses in detail how he came to be appointed as a Chagdampa.